as the most suitable candidate for the post. He was at that time serving as Professor in the Central College, Bangalore and we obtained his services on certain terms, and we could not find any Cochinite available for the post.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Was this Fernandez a Ticket Collector in the Railway Department ? (*Laughter.*)

President.—I met him in connection with some Railway, and he belonged to the Railway Police.

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—I think he had some connection with the Railway. Personally I don't know. In fact his choice has been made during Mr. Brown's time. He was chosen by Mr. Brown. That was my information. All the circumstances I cannot explain now.

Nelluvayi—Thalasseri Road.

55. Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Chief Engineer has made a local inspection for fixing the alignment of the Nelluvayi—Thalasseri road, as promised by him in Council during the Budget Session;

(b) if so, what is the result of the investigation;

(c) whether in view of the urgency of opening this road the construction work could not be started this year after survey and land acquisition?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—(a) Yes.

(b) The report embodying the result of the inspection is under preparation.

(c) Every effort will be made to start the work this year.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—May I know whether the Chief Engineer inspected both the alignments proposed by the officer ?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—I inspected the Srikrishnapuram and Thalasseri. I was not able to inspect the Arangottukara-Nelluvaya alignment. I had not time that day. I hoped to do that on a subsequent day.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—May I know whether the construction of the road connecting Nelluvaya-Thalasseri with Trichur was one of the roads proposed by the Road Committee ?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—I want notice.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—Was it a matter contemplated by the Government in the alignment of that road?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—There have been petitions and the matter has been under consideration for a long time.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—May I know whether the Hon'ble Member has the files before him?

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Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—I have not got the file before me, I mean the previous files, the old files.

Construction of the Chennamangalam Paravur Bridge.

56. മി. ഏ. കെ. കുഞ്ഞുമൊയ്തീൻ.—ചേന്ദമംഗലം പറവൂർ പാലം പണിയെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു തിരുവിതാംകൂർ ഗവർമ്മേണ്ടിന്റെ മറുപടി എന്താണെന്നു പറയുമോ

മി. എം. ഡി. നാരായണ അയ്യർ.—തിരുവിതാംകൂർ ഗവർമ്മേണ്ടിൽ നിന്നും ഒരു മറുപടിയും ഇതെവരെ കിട്ടിയിട്ടില്ല.

മിസ്റ്റർ ഏ. കെ. കുഞ്ഞുമൊയ്തീൻ.—ഇതിനെപ്പറ്റി തിരുവിതാംകൂർ ഗവർമ്മേണ്ടിലേക്കു വല്ല റിമൈണ്ടർസും അയച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ എം. ഡി. നാരായണയ്യർ.—ഉണ്ട്. പറവൂർ മുനിസിപ്പാൽ ചെയർമാനു റിമൈണ്ടർ അയച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്. തിരുവിതാംകൂർ ഗവർമ്മേണ്ടിലേക്കു എഴുതിയിട്ടു മറുപടി കിട്ടിയിട്ടില്ലെന്നു അദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ മറുപടി ഇവിടെ കിട്ടിയിട്ടുണ്ട്.

Licenses for temporary liquor shops.

57. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(a) the number of licenses issued for opening temporary liquor shops in 1104;

(b) the number of (a) cocoanut and (b) palmyra trees for which licenses were issued in 1104 for tapping for (1) sweet toddy and (2) fermented toddy;

(c) whether in that year any reduction in the number of trees tapped for fermented toddy was effected from the number of trees tapped in the previous year; and if so, how many trees less were tapped in 1104 and if instead of a decrease there was an increase of trees how many trees more were tapped in the last year;

(d) the total number of gallons of arrack sold in 1104 and what is the increase or decrease compared with the sale of arrack in the preceding year?

Mr. C. V. Antony.—(a) Vide answer to Legislative Council question No. 65 (a) of the Budget Session of 1104.

(b) and (c) Vide comparative statement below.

(d) 491840 proof gallons in 1104. Compared with the figure for 1103 there has been an increase of 7763·4 proof gallons.

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